

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 296

By Green

A RESOLUTION to recognize Kody Baker on becoming an Eagle Scout.

WHEREAS, at a time when this nation's youth face difficult challenges, the Boy Scouts of America is one of our finest assets, providing young men with an educational program that contributes significantly to their character development, citizenship training, and improved mental and physical fitness; and

WHEREAS, the highest rank a Boy Scout can attain is that of Eagle Scout, and Kody Baker, after considerable effort and diligent preparation, will join the prestigious Eagle Court of Honor in a ceremony to be held on April 15, 2017; and

WHEREAS, a senior at Houston County High School, where he has demonstrated considerable ability as a leader among his peers, Kody plans to enter the United States Army upon his graduation in May; and

WHEREAS, his notable record of achievement as a member of Boy Scout Troop 305 includes twenty-nine merit badges and distinguished service in a variety of leadership roles, including Senior Patrol Leader; he is currently volunteering as Junior Assistant Scoutmaster; and

WHEREAS, Kody's Eagle project, the construction of a storage building for the Houston County Public Library, greatly contributed to the betterment of his community and reflected the true spirit of volunteerism; to complete the project, Kody organized the remodeling of a building donated by the Houston County Lions Club, which remodeling involved major construction: cutting two feet off the height of the building, replacing floor joists and flooring, eliminating a window, adding a door, replacing rotten chipboard with shiplap siding, and installing a new roof; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that we should pause to recognize Kody Baker as one of the most outstanding young people in our State; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Kody Baker on becoming an Eagle Scout and extend to him our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final resolving clause omitted from such copy.